

REMARKS

Claims 1-12 remain in the application.

Claims 11 and 12 stand as withdrawn from further consideration as directed to a nonelected invention.

The claims have been extensively amended to correct the informalities noted and to make other clarifications to hopefully obviate the rejection of claims 2-9 under 35 U.S.C. §112.

Reconsideration of the rejections of the claims 1-7 and 10 based on Lapeyre U.S. Patent No. 2,384,478 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) or 35 U.S.C. §103(a).

The disc 41 has an inclined nail fastener 42 which passes through the center of the face held against the wall surface.

The inclination of the nail prevents free rotation, as a cone shaped hole would be formed to allow the nail to pass through the disc at rotated position. Any rotation that could occur would be about the point where the nail enters the wall. At this point, the axis is symmetrical with respect to the perimeter. Thus, even if rotation were allowed, no relative vertical shift of any point of the groove 43 would occur.

Thus, claim 1 clearly distinguishes over this reference.

Jones U.S. Patent No. 1,871,615 provides a centered hole for the threaded fastener so as to not provide the described deficiency of Lapeyre U.S. Patent No. 2,384,478.

Thus, claims 1-10 are urged to be patentable over these references.


None of the other references describes a mounting element rotatable about a fastener and held in an adjusted rotated position by being pressed against the wall by tightening of the fastener, as claimed in claim 1.

Thus, claims 1-10 are urged to be in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested.

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